

## NEW UNITED STATES UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Atty. Docket No.: 20563/2284

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10/800921**Enclosed herewith is a new patent application of:**

First Named Inventor (or application identifier): Hare et al.

Title of Invention: Apparatus and Method for Ultrasonic Medical Device with Improved Visibility in Imaging Procedures

Type: ☐ New  
☒ Continuation of: 10/328,202  
☐ Continuation-in-Part of: \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Divisional of: \_\_\_\_\_  
which is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety into the application filed herewith;

**and includes the following papers:**

1. ☒ Specification 37 pages (including specification, claims, abstract)/40 claims (4 independent)
2. ☒ Declaration/Power of Attorney is:  
☐ Executed ☐ Unexecuted ☒ Executed copy from Parent Application  
☐ NOT included, but deferred under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f).
3. ☒ 6 Distinct sheets of ☒ Formal ☐ Informal Drawings
4. ☒ Application Data Sheet
5. ☐ Preliminary Amendment.
6. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement  
☐ Form 1449 ☐ A copy of each cited prior art reference (as necessary)
7. ☐ Assignment with Recordation Cover Sheet.
8. ☐ Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based upon the following application(s):

Country	Application Number	Date of Filing (day, month, year)

9. ☒ Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120 based upon the following application(s):

Application Number	Date of Filing (day, month, year)
10/328,202	December 23, 2002

10. ☐ Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 121 based upon the following application(s):

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The above applications from which priority is claimed are hereby incorporated in their entirety into the application filed herewith.

11. ☐ Priority document(s).
12. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix).
13. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission.  
☐ Computer Readable Copy.  
☐ Paper Copy (identical to computer copy).  
☐ Statement verifying identity of above copies.
14. ☐ Request for Non-Publication and Certification under 35 USC 122 (b)(2)(B)(i)
15. ☒ Statement of Small Entity Status, Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.27.
16. Calculation of Fees:

FEES FOR	TOTAL CLAIMS	EXCESS CLAIMS	FEE	AMOUNT DUE
Basic Filing Fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(a))				\$770.00
Total Claims in <b>Excess of 20</b> (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(c))	40	20	\$18.00	360.00
Independent Claims in <b>Excess of 3</b> (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b))	4	1	\$86.00	86.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(d))	No		\$290.00	0.00
Subtotal - Filing Fee Due				1216.00
Reduction by 50%, if Small Entity (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9, 1.27, 1.28)	MULTIPLY BY 0.50			608.00
<b>TOTAL FILING FEE DUE</b>				<b>608.00</b>
Assignment Recordation Fee (if applicable) (37 C.F.R. § 1.21(h))	0		\$40.00	0.00
<b>GRAND TOTAL DUE</b>				<b>\$608.00</b>

17. PAYMENT is:  
☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees to Deposit Account 16-0085, Ref. 20563/2284.  
☐ not included, but deferred under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f).

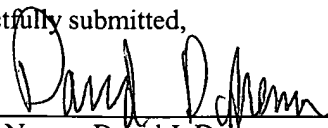
18. All correspondence for the attached application should be directed to:

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19. Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Respectfully submitted,

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By:   
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**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Enclosed for filing in the above-identified patent application, please find the following documents:

1. New Patent Application Transmittal;
2. Patent Application, (37 pages);
3. Transmittal of Formal Drawings;
4. Six (6) sheets of Formal drawings of Figs. 1-8;
5. Application Data Sheet;
6. Copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney from Parent Application U.S. Serial No. 10/328,202; and
7. Return Post Card.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.27, Applicant claims small entity status.

The Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any fees to Deposit Account No. 16-0085, Reference 20563/2284. A duplicate of this transmittal letter is enclosed for this purpose.

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**TRANSMITTAL OF FORMAL DRAWINGS**

Enclosed please find formal drawings of Figures 1 – 8 on 6 separate sheets.

Acceptance of the formal drawings is respectfully requested.

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